

WACPD meeting 10/15/14

The meeting was called to order by co-chair Joan Haines at 7:00pm. In attendance were the following committee members: Joan Haines, Susan Buckland, Elaine Zieller, Chris Taylor, Lee Sekas, Joselyn Valente. Liasons members: Natalie Morrison and Tony Martino.

Introductions were made by Zach Angelucci (WHS student) and John Wismuller (coach) of the WHS JETS team. Zach told the committee about the projects that the team will be working on for clients of CW Resources and Wiremold this year. He told us that they have 30-40 students working on 4 projects. They hope to have them ready for the competition in the beginning of 2015. They will keep us informed of what they accomplish - the committee wished them success.

Minutes - Joselyn Valente made a motion to accept the September 17, 2014 minutes as presented. Motion was seconded by Susan Buckland. Motion passed.

Old Business - Natalie Morrison reported that the group homes are involved actively in the bowling program. They will be coming to the holiday programs and are training for Special Olympic event in November.

Chris Taylor reported on the Senior Advisory Committee - they are looking for more members for their committee. Social Services Dept is assisting with the open enrollment for Medicare that started today 10/15/14 with many plans to pick from. Energy Assistance program is still available. Holiday needs for seniors and family are being met. Joan Haines and Chris Taylor mentioned that there is a Senior Fair being sponsored by Incarnation Church on October 23, 2014 from 11:30-2:30. Chris also mentioned an upcoming meeting "Celebrating Life with Down Syndrome" being held at CCSU on October 23, 2014 – flyer attached.

Natalie Morrison reported that the Parks & Recreation Dept Special Olympics programs are in full swing with basketball practices. Afterschool program has a elevated number of participants this year. The Butterbraid fundraiser is doing well. The Roaring Thunder motorcycle ride in September was a success with approximately \$4,000+ profit. The Thanksgiving dinner will be held on November 17 and the Holiday party is scheduled for December 15. The Santa Breakfast will be held on December 6. **Since this committee did not have a quorum tonight**, Joan Haines said she would call Kathy Bagley to see if it would be possible to transfer some funds (as in other years) to help with the Thanksgiving and Holiday parties costs.

Lee Sekas mentioned a problem he has noticed on some of the Curtin vans. He was concerned about the secure types of tie-downs on some of the vans. A discussion was held suggesting he call and more importantly send a letter to Curtin to advise them. Copies of his letter should also be sent to Tony Martino so he could help if needed.

Joan Haines reported that this committee has 6 vacancies that need to be filled. She asked each member to try to find people who might be interested and Tony Martino said he would mention this at the next Town Council meeting. At this point we have only 9 members and we need 8 at each meeting in order to do business.

Tony Martino reported that the Building / Engineering Dept is progressing with the "beaded " curb cuts at intersections on Wolcott Hill Road. The much needed bus shelters have not been installed as property owners must give permission to have the shelters on their property.

There will be no meetings in November and December as usual. The next meeting is January 21, 2015.

Motion was made by Susan Buckland to adjourn and Elaine Zeiler seconded the motion. Motion passed and meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.